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Re: U.S. Patent Application No. 09/474,435  
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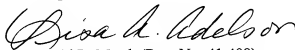
Sir:

The following documents are forwarded herewith for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO):

1. Supplemental Amendment and Response under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111, including Attachments A, B, and C.

In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned. Applicants do not believe any fees are due in conjunction with this filing. However, if any fees are required in the present application, then the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fees to Arnold & Porter LLP Deposit Account No. 50-2387, referencing matter number 16517.044.

Respectfully submitted,



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Attachments